

--- SNIPPETS FROM PAGES PAST ---  
100 YEARS AGO, 300 NORTH DAKOTA FARMERS AND RANCHERS CHARTERED A SPECIAL TRAIN TO CHICAGO TO SEE THE INTERNATIONAL LIVESTOCK EXHIBITION AND TO LET THE COUNTRY KNOW ABOUT THEIR STATE'S SUPERB AGRICULTURAL ACHIEVEMENTS.



The International Livestock Exposition began in 1900 as a showcase for purebred livestock, organized in partnership with meatpacking companies & land-grant universities. It quickly became the premier event in the U.S. livestock industry, with judging, parades, auctions, and exhibitions of top-quality cattle (beef and dairy), sheep, swine, horses, and more. Each year, NDSU's annual "Little International" re-creates some of the excitement of the famous Chicago event.

Chicago--The crown of the North Dakota Wheat King rapidly is being supplanted by a wreath of alfalfa, corn silk and sweet clover!

A special Great Northern train carrying 300 tillers of North Dakota's soil, recently traveled to Chicago, where the agriculturists attended the International Livestock Show, the throne of blue blood cattle.

The reason for this is that this wheat state that has harvested 50 consecutive crops and still produces \$100,000,000 worth of bread material annually, now also collects more than \$25,000,000 yearly from its dairy and hog industry.

The appearance of these Northwestern farmers in Chicago had a further significance in that it was a direct word to the old corn-growing states that they have lost their long-held monopoly as sure-thing blue-ribbon winners at International Live Stock Expositions.

The Invasion of the International Live Stock Show this year by these North Dakota farmers, according to government agricultural officials, tells the greater story of the Northwest's prosperity revival, since this was the first special train of farmers that has been run into Chicago from the Northwest since the World War.

When the party left Grand Forks in its special train of deluxe Pullman cars, E. C. Leedy, supervisor of agriculture for the Great Northern Railway, was presented with figures showing that the estimated value of North Dakota's poultry, hog and dairy industries today equals the receipts from the state's wheat crop.

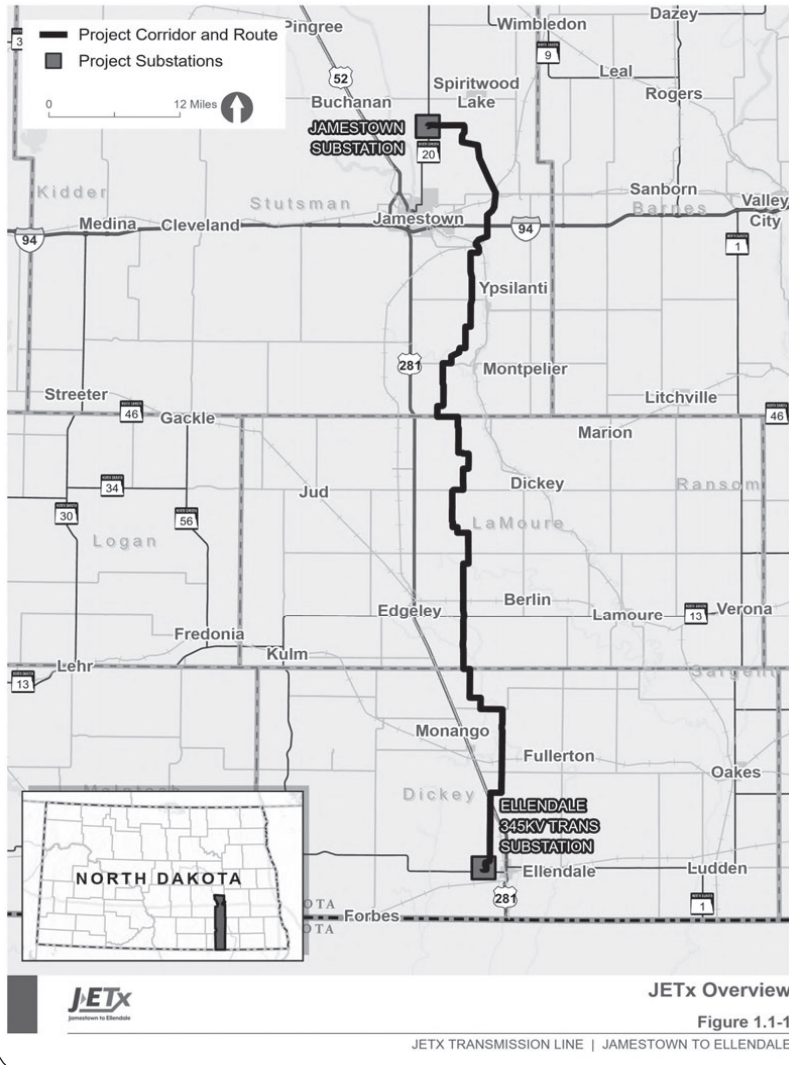
Thirty years ago, when North Dakota was exclusively a wheat raising state, James J. Hill first began preaching to the farmers the necessity of giving their attention to diversified farming. Mr. Hill is in his grave, but the truth of his preachment is a monument to his memory in the minds of thousands of Northwestern farmers.

The North Dakota party made its headquarters in the Sherman Hotel, occupying one floor of the great hostelry, and during its three days' stay was entertained by the International Harvester Company and the Armour Packing Company, whose plants were visited. The Great Northern Railway also took the party on a drive over the boulevards of Chicago in automobiles.

--Dickey County Leader, January 7, 1926 (photo with article)

## PUBLIC NOTICES

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA  
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
Otter Tail Power Company/Montana-Dakota Utilities Co.  
Case No. PU-25-236  
345kV JETx Transmission Line  
Siting Application  
NOTICE OF FILING AND NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS  
On August 8, 2025, Otter Tail Power Company (OTP) and Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. (MDU) filed joint applications for a certificate of corridor compatibility and for a route permit concerning approximately 92 miles of double circuit capable 345 kV electric transmission facility and associated facilities in Dickey, LaMoure and Stutsman Counties, North Dakota.  
The Commission has determined that three separate public hearings will be held and scheduled as follows, with each providing an overview of the project, but focusing on specific geographic portions of the project in the specific areas of each hearing.  
January 12, 2026, at 10:00 a.m. Central Time at the American Legion Post #137, 82 Main Street, Ellendale, ND 58436. This hearing will focus primarily on portions of the project in Dickey County, North Dakota.  
January 14, 2026, at 9:30 a.m. Central Time at the Edgeley Armory, 508 1st Avenue West, Edgeley, ND 58433. This hearing will focus primarily on portions of the project in LaMoure County, North Dakota.  
January 16, 2026, at 9:00 a.m. Central Time at the Baymont by Wyndham Jamestown Conference Center and Water Park, 507 25th St SW, Jamestown, ND 58401. This hearing will focus primarily on portions of the project in Stutsman County, North Dakota.  
The issues to be considered in this proceeding are:  
1. Will construction, operation, and maintenance of the facility at the proposed location produce minimal adverse effects on the environment and upon the welfare of the citizens of North Dakota?  
2. Is the proposed facility compatible with environmental preservation and the efficient use of resources?  
3. Will construction, operations, and maintenance of the facility at the proposed location minimize adverse human and environmental impact while ensuring continuing system reliability and integrity and ensuring that energy needs are met and fulfilled in an orderly and timely fashion?  
For more information contact the Public Service Commission, State Capitol, Bismarck, North Dakota 58505, 701-328-2400; or Relay North Dakota, 1-800-366-6888 TTY. If you require any auxiliary aids or services, such as readers, signers, or Braille materials, please notify the Commission at least 24 hours in advance.  
Issued: November 19, 2025  
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
Sheri Haugen-Hoffart, Commissioner  
Randy Christmann, Chair  
Jill Kringstad, Commissioner



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## AREA EVENTS

- **JAN. 8 (THURSDAY): BASKETBALL VS. RICH-LAND, GIRLS VARSITY**
- **JAN. 10 (SATURDAY): GIRLS BASKETBALL VS. SOUTH BORDER AT EHS, JV AT 1:00, VARSITY AT 2:30**
- **JAN. 10 (SATURDAY): ELLENDALE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT RAFFLE DRAWING, 7:00 PM AT THE AMERICAN LEGION (SEE AD ON FRONT PAGE)**
- **JAN. 13 (TUESDAY): BASKETBALL VS. SARGENT COUNTY AT EHS, GIRLS & BOYS JV AT 4:30, GIRLS VARSITY AT 6:00, BOYS VARSITY AT 7:30**
- **JAN. 15 (THURSDAY): BASKETBALL VS. MPB, @ EPS, GIRLS JV AT 6:00, GIRLS VARSITY AT 7:30**
- **JAN. 16 (FRIDAY): BASKETBALL VS. KIDDER COUNTY, BOYS JV AT 6:00, BOYS VARSITY AT 7:30**
- **JAN. 17 (SATURDAY): BASKETBALL VS. LEOLA-FREDERICK @ EPS, GIRLS JV AT 1:00, BOYS JV @ 1:00, GIRLS VARSITY AT 2:30 (PARENTS NIGHT), BOYS VARSITY AT 4:00 (PARENTS NIGHT)**

### ELLENDALE TOWNSHIP

Ellendale Township will hold a business meeting at the Farmers Union Community Room, Wednesday, January 21, 2026, to discuss township business.

Jerry Rekow, Township Clerk  
(January 8 & 15, 2026)



### OPENING FOR ELLENDALE PUBLIC WORKS EMPLOYEE

The City of Ellendale is looking to hire a Public Works Employee to oversee the following maintenance to keep the City in good working order and sound condition:

- Streets
- Alleys
- Water system
- Sewer system
- Landfill areas
- General maintenance of equipment
- Mowing
- Cutting and trimming trees
- Cemetery
- Perform a variety of manual labor duties which will include all maintenance, heavy equipment operations, snow removal and other duties as required.
- Ability to establish and maintain effective working relationship with other employees, public officials and the public.
- The employee must occasionally lift and/or move up to 75 pounds or more.
- This job typically works 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM Monday – Friday and will be required to be on call during scheduled evenings and weekends.
- Must be legally authorized to work in the United States. No sponsorships

considered.

- A valid ND Driver's License is required and the ability to obtain a Class B CDL.
- A high school diploma/GED is required; the ability to pass and obtain all required ND State licensing and certification requirements when eligible.
- Successful applicants will be highly motivated and self-directed.
- Successful applicant will require a background inquiry.
- Experience preferred; and essential that the public works employee be service oriented.
- Must live within 30 minutes of the city limits.
- Wages DOE
- Applications/Resumes will be accepted until filled, please submit to City Hall (P O Box 267 - 55 3rd Ave S – Ellendale ND 58436). Benefits included: BCBS – Health, Vision, Dental, Retirement, Vacation, Sick Leave, On-Call pay, Overtime past 40 hrs, Garbage/Water discount if live in city limits
- For further details, please contact Mayor Don Flaherty; Council Member Justin Meidinger or City Hall –701–349-3252.



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